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13. ABSTRACT (Maximum 200 words) A planar 94 GHz monopulse receiver has been integrated on a single chip. The receiver is based on four planar antennas followed by four planar subharmonic mixers. The output of the mixers is taken to an IF monopulse processor at 2-4 GHz so as to achieve very deep nulls. The performance of the monopulse receiver has been measured at 94 GHz and resulted in a system NF of around 15 dB, and better than -40 dB nulls in the elevation and difference patterns. Furthermore, the null is maintained at lower than -20 dB over 2 GHz bandwidth. This represents the highest performance monopulse receiver to-date in a planar implementation and is competitive with waveguide systems at W-band frequencies. Also, we have developed novel distributed wideband MEMS phase shifters suitable for 2-100 GHz applications. The distributed MEMS phase shifters resulted in excellent performance at 40-100 GHz, with an insertion loss of better than 4 dB for a 360 deg. phase shift. To our knowledge, this represents the best phase shifter performance at these frequencies using any technology (diode, HEMT, MEMS).				
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(1) Forward:

There is a large need in the 94 GHz frequency range for inexpensive radars capable of monopulse processing for accurate tracking purposes. One way to drastically reduce the cost is to integrate the radar entirely on a single chip. This allows volume production using semiconductor processing techniques which results in ease of fabrication and high reliability. The goal of this work was to demonstrate a planar 94 GHz monopulse processor capable of very high accuracy tracking using planar receiver techniques.

Also, a novel area of technology is investigated in this proposal. It is the use of MEMS (Micro-electromechanical systems) to develop very low insertion loss components and phase shifters at mm-wave frequencies. We have developed a novel distributed phase shifter capable of 2-100 GHz operation and have used it in obtaining excellent phase shift and low insertion loss at 40-100 GHz.

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(5) Summary of the Most Important Results:

- 1- Developed planar slot-ring antennas for 94 GHz applications with excellent patterns.
- 2- Developed planar subharmonic mixers for 94 GHz operation with better than 7 dB conversion loss.
- 3- Developed a planar monopulse IF processor at 2-4 GHz with better than 40 dB nulls (narrowband) and 30 dB nulls (wideband)

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- 4- Developed a planar 94 GHz monopulse receiver on a single chip with excellent monopulse nulls (better than 30 dB over a 2 GHz bandwidth) in the elevation and azimuth planes. The NF of the receiver was better than 15 dB at 94 GHz.
- 5- Developed novel MEMS technology for switches and phase shifters.
- 6- Used the MEMS technology for the construction of wideband phase shifters for 2-100 GHz applications, and obtained 4-5 dB loss for a 360 deg. phase shift for 40-100 GHz applications.

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